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The Washington correspondent of the Boston *Herald* writes that Secretary Boutelle, with the reflecting opinion of the President, believes that "pension reform" can only be carried out by substituting its friends for its enemies. In other words, the War and the President are simply looking for the spoils, but lack the honest to proclaim their real purpose. As long as the fish bite well on Memorial Day and the President can build up his political machine to offset the Hill machine, and at the same time deprive a few old soldiers of a patriotic pension the bogus reformer is happy.

Ex-President Commissioner Black on Memorial Day declared that the pension rolls are polluted with the names of imposters. It is possible that Gen. Black had his own case in mind when he made this statement. He is rated as a physical wreck and draws a pension for total disability, which, under the law, means that he is absolutely unable to help himself, but Gen. Black did not hesitate to accept the position of Pension Commissioner under Cleveland's former Administration, and is he a believe a member of Congress. Democratic talk about pension reform is hypocritical nonsense.

A resident of Cleveland appears to be one of the public men who it is easier to assail with small slurs than to attack with serious objections. They have invariably reviled the popular men of the nation.

Instead of beating the bush, our good Sir Mugwump contemporaries tell us, in plain words, last week, it thinks all that the President of the United States selecting Memorial Day for a fishing trip, especially after he has personally been requested to attend the exercises at Arlington. Does this think that such a performance, likely to prove popular in the less states, if President Cleveland is as usual for doing small things it is because he never rises to such a level. It pleases a class of newspaper men to champion his act—but if these things we a done by a Republican in President the same editors would be the first to cast a stop.

Commenting upon certain articles on the evil influence of Tammany in the New York Evening *Journal*, these expostions would be more useful to an afflicted and applied public, if they were accompanied by some information as to the way in which decent Democrats, who cannot stand Tammany and its wife, might escape from its malign influence. The question naturally arises to whom does the *J. J.* refer when it speaks of "decent Democrats." Certainly to no one connected with the management of that paper, because the means it uses in Tammany to-day is infinitely better than the editor of the *J. J.* from the very fact that he stands for just what he is, while the editor of the *J. J.* poses as a scull of Tammany but strikes hands with the corrupt organization at the very time, namely in a campaign, when he might point the way of escape from its malign influences. Bad is it if Tammany is not a snarl, and the *J. J.* is.

Our reports from Washington state that the Democrats are having some difficulty in the preparation of their tariff as they have discovered that it will not be possible to make any radical revision on account of the revenue. It is natural to say that they do not propose to carry out the pledges in their platform because they know to do what would be to sign the death warrant of the party for the next election. In other words they have about reached the point where they have to admit that they won the last election under false pretenses. During the campaign the tariff law was denounced as an unconstitutional robbery of the people by the same Democrats who are now ready to admit that it will not be practicable to take anything in the nature of a sensible tariff at the protective system. It makes no difference to the Republicans which born of the dilemma our Democratic friends steep. If they let the tariff alone, it is to some no changes, they will be placed in the position of endorsing the very policy against which they have taunted of carrying out their pledge to the people and annihilate the protective system in effect if such a programme will be to create a stronger protection than ever in this country.

The Lesson of History
Ex-Governor Bonaker, of Ohio, was the Memorial Day orator at the tomb of Gen. Grant in the course of his remarks he said:

"Now, Sir, I thought it appropriate to make a formal and official recognition of General Beauregard's sword to-day, because Charleston was the seat of the beginning of the Confederacy. These New York people said Beauregard fought for and was a defender of constitutional liberty. Now I do not want to stir up sectional differences but I do want to ask you a question. Is a man if General Beauregard was not, what was General Stonewall Jackson? If General Stonewall was the defender of constitutional liberty, what were General Stonewall and General Beauregard and all the others of our Northern military leaders defenders?"

I have not much time. I refer to the reorganization of Gen. Davis. This sort of thing could not happen in any other country. It could not have happened here if the patriotic Americans were not so satisfied with the results of the war that they are contented to let certain people make just as big fools of themselves as they please, and do not intend to do harm to any body, and are not afraid to stir up feeling or anything of that sort. I intend to ask some more questions. If I do, it is all that this ridiculous demonstration of the South is entitled to live in history as a great and lasting place in history ought we to assume Abraham Lincoln? (cheers and laughter) To what place ought we to assign the great hero whom we honor here to-day? (loud cheers.)

The truth is that a systematic, determined and persistent effort to pervert history and give the ruling generation and the future generations the wrong impressions. It is sought to make it appear that the war was nothing more, after all, than a kind of family quarrel, in which there was a loss of American valor, especially on the Southern side. I do not intend to ask more questions. If I do, it is all that this ridiculous demonstration of the South is entitled to live in history as a great and lasting place in history ought we to assume Abraham Lincoln? (cheers and laughter) To what place ought we to assign the great hero whom we honor here to-day? (loud cheers.)

What Form of Policy is most Desirable? That depends on a great many things. For those who want to be informed during the year, and to have the full amount of the policy to be made known, I would like to say that the *Journal* has a good deal of information, and by a careful application of that information, you will be able to provide our troops with the best possible service. The Epps' Beverage which may give us many more articles of that a constitutional nature, but which is strong enough to make it very tendency to become a bad influence.

Every soldier of that strength knows all about it. Every informed patriotic man or woman who has reached middle life knows all about it. It is the men and the women of our boys and girls of to-day who are to be the men and women of tomorrow, and then the hope of the nation, there are many not so well informed.

That is a subject which we have been hearing a good deal about, and it seems to be disturbing a great many people, the subject of pensions. Now, if one dollar in the pension fund is found to be fraudulently used, there is not a soldier here that would not want to have the re-

ciplents stricken from the list. That is one soldier who would not save the country during the rebellion, and is entitled to his pension, let him have it.

Memorial Day should be the last day to end on a half day excursion. The day after, we would refuse to bite on the day made sacred by the memory of the brave heroes who died that the nation might live.

We are Democrats or Republicans, Free-traders or Protectionists, as we may prefer to be, but we are all for the Constitution and for the Union in every State. No man in his sense would desire to overthrow the overthrow of the one or the dismemberment of the other. As the Americans and their friends are growing stronger and the tide of growth is increasing, those who we will constantly increase. And, notwithstanding all efforts to the contrary, will stand in history that that great struggle of the Union was the right side, and the other side was the wrong side. Not a little right, nor half-way right, nor a little wrong, but absolutely wrong, but absolutely and everlasting wrong, and absolutely and everlasting wrong.

In reporting the exercises the New York *World* uses the headlines, "A老人 explodes again, a wild attack upon the South." On another page the same paper publishes a column or two of sickening gush concerning the removal of the remains of the arch traitor Davis under the headlines, "Carolina bears tribute, impressive greeting all along the route of the Davis train." This attitude is typical of a certain class of mendacious sheets in this country. The heroes that are now being heaped upon the memory of the leader of the slave-holders' rebellion are regarded as only natural tributes of respect, but when the men who prevented the success of this treasonous conspiracy show a loyal enthusiasm for the righteous cause for which they fought, and assemble to do honor to the memory of their departed comrades, the natural indignation at this glorification of a cause that was lost and ought to be forgotten, is made the subject of scathing comment. I恐怕 there are too many contemptible creatures in the North who applaud this sort of thing.

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